

Minutes TEMPE ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION October 21, 2024

at 6:00pm on October 21 2024, held at the Tempe Public Library and via Teams.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Kevin Godfrey-Chevalier
Andrea Hanley (arrived at 6:07pm)
Maureen Kobierowski – Chair
Haylee Mills
Lisa Roach
Teresa Robinette
Jennifer Song
Justin Stewart
Ginny Sylvester

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Manager – Tempe Community Arts
Brendan Ross, Deputy Director – Arts & Culture Division
Joy Higgins, Management Assistant – Arts & Culture Division
Kara Osburn, Arts & Culture Financial Analyst
Brenda Abney, Manager – Tempe History Museum

Guest(s) Present:

None

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Will Lucht
Jacqueline Swan – Vice-chair

Call to Order

- **Maureen Kobierowski**, TACC Chair, called the TACC meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

- None

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the September 9, 2024 Arts & Culture Commission Minutes

M. Kobierowski asked the commissioners to review an unapproved TACC minutes document dated September 9, 2024.

MOTION: Haylee Mills moved to approve the September 9, 2024 Tempe Arts and Culture Commission Meeting Minutes with edits.
SECOND: Ginny Sylvester seconded
AYES: Maureen Kobierowski, Haylee Mills, Lisa Roach, Teresa Robinette, Justin Stewart, Ginny Sylvester
ABSTAIN: Kevin Godfrey-Chevalier, Jennifer Song
NAYS: None
RESULT: Motion passed with a 6-0 vote
ABSENT: Andrea Hanley, Jacqueline Swan, Will Lucht

Agenda Item 3 – Introduction: Meribeth Reeves, TCA Manager – Business & Operations

- Meribeth Reeves introduced herself as the new TCA Manager – Business & Operations.

Agenda Item 4 – Quarterly Financial Update

- **Kara Osburn**, Arts & Culture Financial Analyst, presented a budget summary for FY24. See attachments for details.

Agenda Item 5 – Season Update – Tempe Center for the Arts

- Brendan Ross and Meribeth Reeves presented an update for Tempe Center for the Arts. Highlights include:
 - New TCA bar operator starting October 23, 2024: Atlasta Catering
 - New TCA preferred catering list starting November 1, 2024:
 - Atlasta Catering
 - Conceptually Social
 - Santa Barbara
 - Tom & Lin

Agenda Item 6 – Review: 2024 TACC Annual Report

- Tempe Arts & Culture Commission reviewed the draft of the 2024 TACC Annual Report for any edits or additions.
 - TACC would like to include in the Accomplishments section the liaison/volunteer work completed in relation to the Goals.
 - An updated draft of the 2024 Annual Report will be added to the agenda for approval at the next TACC meeting.

Agenda Item 7 – Notification: 2025 TACC Chair/Vice-chair Election

- TACC members were notified that nominations for the 2025 Chair and Vice-chair will be on the agenda for the next meeting on November 4, 2024.

Agenda Item 8 – TACC Member Liaison Efforts

- Recent Activations
 - **Justin Stewart** – Coordinated “The Park Music Sessions” event in Mitchell Park held on September 21 with 370 people in attendance; bringing son to Edna Arts classes.
 - **Maureen Kobierowski** – Please visit the George Ditch to see the new murals.
 - **Kevin Godfrey-Chevalier** – Attended Dance Festival in Phoenix.
 - **Ginny Sylvester** – Docent at Tempe Historic Houses, attended ATC show Dial M for Murder.
 - **Teresa Robinette** – Attended Mesa Art Center National Geographic event.
 - **Jennifer Song** – Took clients to Danella Plaza for an impromptu tour, sat on Arts Grant panel.
 - **Lisa Roach** – Attended show at Scottsdale Arts Center, attended Funny Lady at Gammage, served as guide for Double Butte Cemetery.
 - **Haylee Mills** – Visited a friend in Marino Valley and attended an Art Studio/Home tour; attended a Stray Cat show.

Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items

- ATC presentation
- Update about Bond Issue 2 – how it affects historic preservation efforts
- Park music license update

Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm

Prepared by: Joy Higgins